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**Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Dear Examiner Bowman:

This is a reply to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2005 setting a one (1) month period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

The **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.